## **MINUTES**

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# THE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF PODIATRY EXAMINERS

Board Meeting of Monday, December 5, 2016

Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210

#### CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Bradley Keefer, of Murrell's Inlet, Chairman of the Board, called the regular meeting of the South Carolina Board of Podiatry Examiners to order at 4:06 p.m. on Monday, December 5, 2016, at 110 Centerview Drive, with a quorum present. Other members of the Board present included Dr. James B. Cahill, of Sumter, and Dr. Rahn Ravenell, of Mt. Pleasant and Dr. Bradley Lindstrom, of Simpsonville.

Members of the staff participating or present at various times in the meeting included: Sheridon Spoon, Administrator; Adam Russell, Office of Advice Counsel; Temeka Atkinson, Administrative Assistant; Jason Haynes and Byron Ray, Office of Investigations and Enforcement, and Shanika Johnson, Office of Disciplinary Counsel.

All votes by the Board reported in these minutes were unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

Dr. Keefer announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act by notice to *The State* newspaper, Associated Press, and notices posted on the bulletin boards located at both the main entrances of the Kingstree Building where the Board office is located.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The agenda for this meeting was reviewed and Dr. Cahill made a motion to approve the Agenda that was seconded by Dr. Ravenell and unanimously passed. The Board reviewed the minutes from the June 6, 2016 meeting. Dr. Keefer made a motion that was seconded by Dr. Cahill and unanimously passed to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

#### **GRADING AND EXAM RESULTS**

The Board conducted oral examinations for 6 applicants.

- 1. Dr. Carly Chapman
- 2. Dr. Ashley Finn

- 3. Dr. Alison Garten
- 4. Dr. Vinay Matai
- 5. Dr. Gregory Santamaria
- 6. Dr. James Williamson

Dr. Cahill made a motion that the passing scores be accepted and the applicants be approved for meeting the requirement of SC Podiatry Board Examination. Dr. Ravenell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## INVESTIGATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

Jason Haynes, Chief Investigator, presented the IRC report. There were 2 cases presented for approval. Case #2016-2 and Case #2016-3 were presented for dismissal. Dr. Keefer made a motion to approve the dismissals of Case #2016-2 and Case #2016-3 and motion was seconded by Dr. Cahill. Motion carried.

## **APPLICANT APPEARANCE**

Dr. Steven Schecht, previous applicant for licensure by reciprocity requesting reconsideration based on new materials presented to show a residency completed in the United States Army. After consideration of the evidence and testimony by Dr. Schecht, a motion was made by Dr. Keefer to go into Executive Session. Dr. Cahill seconded the motion. Motion carried. After returning from Executive Session, a motion was made by Dr. Lindstrom to deny current application for licensure based on reciprocity because the states that Dr. Schecht are currently licensed in (NY and CA) do not have reciprocity agreements in place with South Carolina. Dr. Schecht will be allowed to apply as a new applicant. The Board will accept his residency but he must comply with all other requirements of licensure, to include Part III of PMLexis Exam and SC Podiatry Examination. Dr. Cahill seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Spoon informed Board Members that there is now a security guard that will be physically in the building and also securing the grounds. Cyber security will affect the renewals going forward because the passwords will no longer be printed on the renewal notices. The Podiatry Renewal notices will go out by postal mail on October 1, 2017 with only the username printed on the notices. Applicants should be sure to go to the online portal and make sure that their contact information is correct, especially their email address, because if they have to renew online at the deadline then the username or password will be sent by email.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Dr. Cahill moved to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Dr. Lindstrom. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Temeka Atkinson Administrative Assistant